

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, October 17, 2013.

Met at eight minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato) the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pledge of allegiance.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Heroux of Attleboro, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul R. Heroux, Leah Cole and Paul McMurtry relative to farmers' markets. Farmers' markets.

By Messrs. Heroux of Attleboro and Cutler of Duxbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul R. Heroux and others relative to licenses to carry firearms. Firearms,—licenses.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Stephen M. Brewer, Gailanne M. Cariddi, Paul McMurtry, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to regulate central service technicians, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Health. Central service technicians.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1886) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, that the Bill financing information technology equipment and related projects (printed in House, No. 3330), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefore a bill with the same title (House, No. 3708). Information technology,—financing.

Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the Bill to eliminate racial and ethnic health disparities in the Commonwealth (House, No. 2071), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefore a bill with the same title (House, No. 3702) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]. Health,—racial and ethnic disparities.

By the same member, for the same committee, that the Bill relative to the transporting of deceased persons (House, No. 2110), ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefore a bill with the same title (House, No. 3703) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00]. Deceased persons,—transporting.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means, with the amendments pending.

College
textbook
costs,—
study.

By Mr. Sannicandro of Ashland, for the committee on Higher Education, on House, No. 1087, a Resolve establishing a special commission relative to reducing the costs associated with the purchase of college textbooks (House, No. 3699). Read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

MassHealth,—
waivers.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on Senate, No. 502 and House, No. 1027, a Bill to establish criteria for MassHealth hardship waivers (House, No. 3705) [Cost: Greater than \$100,000.00].

Disabled,—
scholarships.

By Mr. Sannicandro of Ashland, for the committee on Higher Education, on a petition, a Bill creating a scholarship fund to further the study of developmental disabilities (House, No. 1079).

UMass
Amherst,—
fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1085, a Bill providing for a labor/management workplace and education trust fund at the University of Massachusetts Amherst (House, No. 3698).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mental
health,—
access.

By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, for the committee on Health Care Financing, on House, No. 1002, a Bill relative to enhancing access to mental health treatment (House, No. 3704). Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Third
reading
bills.

Relative to combining the offices of town treasurer and town collector in the town of Dudley (House, No. 1833); and

Authorizing the city of Revere to issue bonds or notes for the payment of a litigation settlement (House, No. 3687);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Next
sitting.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Messrs. Dempsey of Haverhill and Silvia of Fall River then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Edward S. "Scotty" Morrow, a member of the House from Haverhill from 1959 to 1965, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.